

**MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
UTILITY DIVISION
AGENDA NO. 07-12-18**

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For Work Week Commencing: December 17, 2007
Commission Meeting: December 18, 2007, 9:00 a.m.

General Introduction This agenda is the Commission's Utility Division agenda for the work week designated. In the later part of each week (generally, Thursday by 2:00 p.m.) prior to the work week to which an agenda pertains, the agenda is posted on the public information bulletin board at the Commission offices, deposited in the mail directed to all persons who have properly requested notice by mail, emailed to all persons who have properly requested notice by email, and posted to the Public Service Commission's worldwide web site located at <http://www.psc.mt.gov>.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. ENERGY WEST, INCORPORATED D2007.11.139 (Eric)

On November 30, 2007, EW filed an application seeking approval to issue additional shares of Common Stock in order to effectuate a 3-for-2 stock split. The Company intends to complete the stock split as soon as reasonably

possible after receiving Commission approval. The number of shares outstanding will increase from approximately 2.9 million to approximately 4.3 million. Probable motion: Grant the request by Energy West, Inc. to issue additional shares of Common Stock to effectuate a 3-for-2 stock split.

2. CenturyTel of Montana N2007.12.141 (Scott)

On December 4, 2007, CenturyTel filed Advice No. 07-04. The purpose of this filing is to introduce Emergency Line Service as a new offering. The service provides residential customers with the ability to access 911 and 711 services and receive unlimited incoming calls. The Company requests an effective date of January 4, 2008. Probable motion: Approve CenturyTel's Advice No. 07-04 in Docket No. N2007.12.141.

3. Citizens Telecommunications N2007.12.142 (Scott)

On December 3, 2007, Citizens filed Advice Letter No. MT-07-14 to Discontinue Extension Service. The purpose of this filing is to grandfather Extension Services customers currently subscribing to it. The Company requests an effective date of January 4, 2008. Probable motion: Approve Citizens' Advice Letter No. MT-07-14 in Docket No. N2007.12.142.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2006.6.81 – Qwest Corporation – Qwest's residence and business customer incentive program – Act on draft order. (12/18/07)
2. Organization of MISO States – Consider joining OMS comments to FERC on market power. (12/18/07)
3. D2007.7.82 – NorthWestern Energy (NWE) – Application for Approval for Authority to Establish Increased Natural Gas and Electric Delivery Service Rates – Act on draft interim order. (12/18/07)
4. D2007.7.82 – NorthWestern Energy - Application for Approval for Authority to Establish Increased Natural Gas and Electric Delivery Service Rates - Discuss and provide direction to staff with respect to procedure and process for considering the stipulation and settlement between NWE and the Montana Consumer Counsel. (12/18/07)

5. D2007.11.137 – Energy West, Incorporated – Application for Authorization to Issue Securities – Consider and act on continuing the application beyond 30 days, or, if an amended purpose of requested issuance is filed, to consider and act on the application. (12/18/07)
6. CELP – Judicial Review of PSC Order Nos. 6501f and 6501g – Act/give direction on the request for transcripts of PSC work sessions. (12/18/07)
7. D2007.5.44 – NorthWestern Energy – Natural Gas Tracker – Act on NWE's Motion to Waive Hearing and give procedural direction as necessary. (12/18/07)

Other Meetings

12/18/07 1:30 p.m. – Informational meeting with Western Area Power Administration representative Edward Weber (Bollinger Room)

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. Citizens Telecommunications N2007.12.144 (Scott)

On December 7, 2007, Citizens made a filing to introduce Enhanced Universal Emergency Number Service, E9-1-1 service. Citizens is requesting that this filing become effective on January 6, 2008.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. The Commission will rule on the requests no earlier than 10 days after the publication date of this agenda. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Any person wanting a copy of a protective order request should contact the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be obtained by calling the Commission at (406) 444-6199.

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2007.12.144 - Citizens Telecommunications Company of Montana dba Frontier Communications of Montana – Advice Letter No. MT-07-15, Introduce Enhanced Universal Emergency Number Service, E9-1-1 Service

D2007.12.145 – Yellowstone Pipe Line Company – Proposed Montana Tariff P.S.C. Nos. 46 and 47

D2007.12.146 – 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Gold Creek Cellular of Montana Limited Partnership dba Verizon Wireless – Application for Approval of Reciprocal Transport and Termination Agreement

D2007.12.147 – City of Great Falls, Benefis Healthcare System and Electric City Power, Inc. – Complaint against NorthWestern Energy and Request for Declaratory Ruling